STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2008-0080

TO COMMIT UP TO \$1.968 MILLION OF CLEAN BEACHES INITIATIVE (CBI)
PROPOSITION 13 GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS TO CONTINUE THE BEACH SAFETY
PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

- (1) In March November 2000, the voters approved the Costa-Machado Water Act of 2000 (Proposition 13) authorizing funding for water quality projects;
- (2) Proposition 13 established the Coastal Nonpoint Source Control (CNPSC) Program to provide funding for projects that restore and protect the water quality and environment of coastal waters, estuaries, bays, and near shore waters and groundwaters;
- (3) The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is authorized to administer the CNPSC funds;
- (4) A project to provide comprehensive capability for monitoring, collecting, and analyzing ambient water quality, including monitoring technology that can be entered into a statewide information base with standardized protocols and sampling, collection, storage and retrieval procedures is eligible to receive funding;
- (5) The Department of Public Health (DPH) administers the Beach Safety Program which provides funds to county environmental health agencies to monitor beach water quality;
- (6) Funding for the Beach Safety Program was eliminated in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Budget;
- (7) A temporary funding mechanism to continue the Beach Safety Program is needed while a long-term sustainable funding source is determined; and
- (8) State Water Board staff determined that the project qualifies for a Class 6 categorical exemption from CEQA requirements and will not result in any significant adverse water quality impacts. The State Water Board shall file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the State Clearing House upon approval of the Project.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

- (1) Approves a Proposition 13 CNPSC grant to the DPH to fund the Beach Safety Program for Fiscal Year 2008-2009;
- (2) Authorizes the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance to issue the Grant Agreement and any amendments to implement the Project; and
- (3) Authorizes the Executive Director to extend the funding for one additional fiscal year if necessary.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the forgoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Board held on November 4, 2008.

AYE: Chair Tam M. Doduc

Vice Chair Gary Wolff, P.E., Ph.D

Arthur G. Baggett, Jr. Frances Spivy-Weber

NAY: None

ABSENT: Charles R. Hoppin

ABSTAIN: None

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